AN APPEAL FOR HELP

Mississippi River Flood Suffer-

MEMPHIS ASKS FOR OUTSIDE AID.

Hundreds of Refugees Brought Into the

would follow the breaking of the levee at a point on the east side of the river north of Helena, Ark., has been terribly realized. The break at Flower Lake President McKinley Makes a Number of has rapidly grown from a dozen feet in length to a thousand. Effort is being made to tie each end of the levee, but has sent to the senate the following owing to the difficulty in getting material from the railroad five miles away and will cause an overflow of the northern tier of counties in Mississippi with the exception of a part of Tunica.

The question that now confronts the planters is the duration of the flood. If the water is out of the delta by May 5, a crop of cotton can be grown, but cotton planted as late as May 10 has little chance of maturing before frost. There is still another danger. These crevasses must all be closed before the June rise, or there will be a second overflow. The

delta country produces annually no less
than 500,000 bales of cotton.
The river at Memphis is stationary.
Much suffering is reported from the
overflowed regions. Relief steamers
are making daily trips into Arkansas and Mississippi, rescuing hundreds of people and bringing them to Memphis. The local relief committee is doing everything possible for the unfortunate

At a meeting of the committee late yesterday afternoon it was decided to ask other cities for help and the following appeal was issued:

"The city of Memphis has been providing for the distressed flood sufferers from the overflowed districts of Arkansas and Mississippi with some little outside assistance for several weeks. Few Tennesseeans are in need, but the demands on Memphis for others are very great and are increasing every day. Indeed, the demands on our people have grown to such proportions that we feel unable to meet them alone. Heretofore we have attempted to carry on this work without soliciting contributions from other cities, although many cities have generously given us volun-

hand in this matter all donations received by the relief committee will be highly appreciated and judiciously managed. Donations of meat, meal and money are preferable. The Memphis relief committee is well organized and can use money to the best advantage as it is fully cognizant of the necessities of the situation. All remittances should be made to Bun F. Price, treasurer of the citizens' relief committee, Memphis, Tennessee.

NEW ORLEANS SAFE.

All the Levees Within the City Limits Are in First Class Shape.

NEW ORLEANS, April 6 .- The river stands at 17.6. This, taken in connection with the most favorable climatic conditions, ushers in what is credited with being the momentous week in the history of the present high water stage, so far at least as the city of New Orleans is concerned. It is satisfactory to report that all of the levees within the city limits are found to be in first class shape and the same, in a general way may be affirmed of the levees up to Baton Rogue and down the river to Buros. There are, of course, the usual weak spots and here and there insignificant breaks, but prompt attention is doing everything to reduce these down to a minimum as danger points.

Greenville reports the people of that city taking everything easy and business there is confined chiefly to the de-mands of the town. The splendid iron bridge across Bogue Phalia. on the Southern railway, was knocked from its foundation last night.

The president of the board of Mississippi levee commission has issued a call for a special meeting of the board to be held April 17. The purpose of the meeting will be to issue certificates of indebtedness at least to the amount of \$75,000 to close the crevasse in the levee as soon as the water begins to fall. The importance of this can not be overestimated. To make a crop is the vital concern of the people.

The crevasse at Flower Lake, Miss. has completely inundated the following towns along the line of the Yazoo and Mississippi railroad: Clayton, Carnesville, Lula and Coshoma, and if the river remains anywhere near its present stage for some days, other towns, including Jonestown and Clarksdell.

IN THE NORTHWEST.

Headwaters Have Stopped Rising and It Is Thought the Worst Is Past.

St. Paul, April 6 .- The river at this point is four feet above the danger line and is still rising slowly. The flats on the west side are mostly submerged. The loss is chiefly to the poorer people, who are being cared for by the city. Weather officials think the headwaters have already emptied their surplus and

that the stage will soon begin to fall.
Yankton, S. D., reports conditions in
the Jim river valley unchanged, the
river remaining stationary. The rail-

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Mississippi River Flood Sufferers Are in Distress.

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Bundreds of Refugees Brought Into the City Daily by the Relief Steamers—Crevasses Increasing, Flooding Thousands of Acres of Land—Rivers Rising and No Prospects of the Flood Subsiding.

road tracks continue to wash badly, but the bridges are still firm. It will be several weeks before traffic is restored. The damage to crops will be heavy.

Huron, S. D., reports the floods subsiding and with a week of pleasant weather farmers can begin seeding on high ground. The season is three weeks late and the acreage of wheat and small grain will be lessened 15 to 25 per cent. The crop acreage will fall far below that of last year.

Crookston, Minn., reports the Red Lake river at a standstill. One hundred familes have vacated houses on lowlying land in the city and moved to higher ground.

Prospects of the Flood Subsiding.

MEMPHIS, April 6.—The prediction made in these dispatches last week that great disaster to the Mississippi delta would follow the breaking of the levee

REWARDING THE FAITHFUL. Important Appointments.

Washington, April 6.—The president nominations:

James Boyle of Ohio, consul of the Alfred E. Buck of Georgia to be en-

voy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of the United States to Japan. E. S. Day of Connecticut, consul of the United States at Bradford, Eng-

Fenton R. McCreery of Michigan. secretary of the legation of the United States at the City of Mexico.

George W. James of Kansas to be agent for the Indians of the Pottawotomie and Great Nemaha agency in Kansas.

To be attorneys of the United States, William S. Reese, Jr., of Alabama for the middle district of Alabama; Frank P. Flint of California for the southern district of California; Edgar A. Angier of Georgia for the northern district of Georgia; Marion Erwin of Georgia for the southern district of Georgia.

A few fourth class postmasters were appointed and several navy promotions

In appointing James Boyle of Ohio as consul to Liverpool the president has provided for his faithful private secretary. Mr. Boyle selected this place abroad some time ago, but the presi-dent needed his services at the White House during the first three weeks until things got down to smooth working order. Mr. Boyle has been acting as confidential private secretary, and has been doing a great deal of work. Things are running all right at the executive mansion and Mr. Boyle can now pack up his trunk and go to England. The consulate at Liverpool is one of the best at the disposal of the president, and has always been much sought after. Although the official fees have been abolished, there are still the unofficial tary aid.

"If the kind people of other towns fees which go to the consul, and as the and cities feel disposed to lend a helping salary is over \$6,000, the fees make it much more, and some say the annual

compensation now is fully \$20,000. The appointment of Colonel A. E. Buck of Georgia to be minister to Japan relieves Minister Dunn of Ohio. Colonel Buck was an original McKinley man and swung Georgia into line when the state was needed and when Platt, Quay and the Anti-McKinley men were fighting for it. Colonel Buck's action did much to make Louisiana, Florida and other southern states follow Georgia.

SPAN GIVES WAY.

Freight Train Wrecked and the Fireman Instantly Killed.

PITTSBURG, April 6.-The wooden span of the north end approach to the Ohio Connecting railroad bridge collapsed about 6 o'clock yesterday morning, while a Fort Wayne freight was crossing and the engine and 13 cars were precipitated to McClure avenue. 50 feet below.

Fireman William Haggerty was killed instantly.

Engineer William Graham was so badly injured that he can not recover. The engine was completely wrecked and the cars, which were loaded with coal and iron, were entirely demolished.

The Ohio Connecting bridge crosses the Ohio river at Wood Run and connects the Panhandle and Fort Wayne roads of the Pennsylvania company.

The loss will be heavy.

THREE MEN ASPHYXIATED. They Were Killed by Carbonic Acid Gas in

a Beer Tun. MONTREAL, April 6 .- Three men were asphyxiated yesterday at Dow's brewery. They were cleaning a beer tun, and were overcome by the carbonic acid gas, which had collected at the bottom.

The dead are: Joseph Webb, unmarried. John Murphy, married.

John Hannigan. The man Webb was to blame. He had been in the brewery for years, and knew that he should have seen whether or not any gas had collected. The tun was about 18 feet deep, and as soon as he entered he dropped to the bottom. The two others met a similar fate, and a fourth man, named McCabe, who went to see what had happened, was also overcome, but was taken out alive.

Sylvester Scovel Married. St. Louis, April 6.—Sylvester Scovel, the Cuban correspondent, was married yesterday to Miss Frances Cabanne of 5376 Vernon street. As she is a Catholic and he the son of a Presbyterian divine, a special dispensation was secured from Archeishop Kain. Father Mc-Glynn performed the ceremony. Miss Cabanne is the daughter of S. Cabanne, head of a prominent St. Louis family. She is the sister of Dick Cabanne, the famous wheelman, beautiful and popular in West and society.

LIFE DEAR TO THEM.

They Never Thought So About Their Poor Victims.

MURDERERS CONSOLE EACH OTHER

Willy Haas' Last Hours Approaching and He Begins to Realize His Awful Fate, Fire in a Hotel-Smallpox in Toledo, Labor Victory in Cleveland-Other Ohio

COLUMBUS, O., April 6.-Everything is now in readiness for the execution of young Willy Haas. Unless the governor shall interfere the lad will be taken to the electric chair immediately after midnight Wednesday.

The death warrant will be read to him by Warden Coffin of the penitentiary as soon as the governor shall make known his decision, providing the de-

cision shall be against the lad.

There is no doubt now that Haas is beginning to realize his awful position and that he is accepting religious consolation. Sunday after the regular service in the chapel, Chaplain Winget called on the condemned boy and had a long talk with him. He read portions of the scripture and prayed with Haas, the latter crying part of the time.

Albert Frantz, the murdeser of Ressia.

Albert Frantz, the murderer of Bessie Little at Dayton, for who Haas has taken a decided liking, talked to him and also read from the Bible for him Haas and Frantz have talked freely to gether of their cases, and if there is any one person outside of Frantz who knows the story of Bessie Little's death, that person is Haas.

On one occasion when Haas had long talk with Frantz about the latter's case, Frantz broke down and cried like

FIRE IN A HOTEL.

Two People Badly Injured and Severa Had Narrow Escapes.

DAYTON, O., April 6 .- The Phillips House was partially destroyed by a fire yesterday morning which started in the laundry. The fire was confined to the west wing. The loss is about \$15,000; fully insured.

John Bryant, an actor of the Katie Rooney company, fell or jumped from the third floor through a skylight. He received a fracture of the skull, a scalp wound and several severe cuts. He is at the Deaconess hospital, and there are hopes for his recovery. His wife had her right ankle fractured. There were several thrilling escapes. Robert French, night clerk, was almost asphyx-

Came Back to Settle Up.

FEESBURG, O., April 6 .- Samuel Cochran, who left his home in this country last fall on account of financial embarrassment, has returned. Cochran was considered one of the most substantial farmers and tobacco dealers in southern Ohio, but on investigation it was found that his liabilities exceeded \$50,000. It is said that he went to Minneapolis and in a wheat deal made over \$200,000.

Eight-Hour Working Day in Cleveland. CLEVELAND, April 6 .- The demand of the building trades' unions yesterday for the 8-hour working day, was very generally granted by the contractors. Only six of the latter are reported to be holding off. The demand was made by 23 unions representing 19 crafts. The painters are meeting with much trouble, owing to the fact that they have also demanded higher wages.

Smallpox in Toledo.

COLUMBUS, O., April 6.-Toledo reports a case of smallpox to the state board of health. The patient is George Miller, clerk in a popular grocery. The health officer, J. T. Woods, reports to the state board that his department has not a cent with which to buy vaccine points, nor has it any credit. The health department has not been paid salaries for four months.

Woman Sent to the Penitentiary.

CHILLICOTHE, O., April 6 .- Judge Douglas has sentenced Elizabeth Shull to five years in the penitentiary for throwing caustic substance with intent to disfigure. She will be taken to Columbus this week and is the first woman to be sent to the penitentiray from this county. The case will be carried up to the circuit court.

An Incendiary Fire.

WEST UNION, O., April 6 .- A residence and two barns on William Lafferty's farm, in Jefferson township, were burned by an incendiary hast night. This is the second time buildings have been burned on this farm.

Escaped Jail.

EATON, O., April 6.-Ferman Stuader and Perry Thompson, burglars, escaped from the county jail yesterday afternoon. Some one secured the sheriff's keys and unlocked the doors of the jail. VENEZUELAN BOUNDARY TREATY. Both Houses of the Venezuelan Congress

Have Ratified It.

New York, April 6 .- The World publishes the following copyright cable dispatch from Caracas, Venezuela:

The congress of Venezuela has unanimously and enthusiastically ratified their Guiana boundary arbitration treaty with Great Britain, which was negotiated by the United States. The measure was first read in the house of representatives by Senor Aranguren, who spoke eloquently in its favor.

The second reading was without incident. It came up on third reading yesterday, and after a speech by Senor Briceno, the house voted for the treaty ananimously amid great cheering and enthusiastic demonstrations of gratitude to "Uncle Sam."

The treaty was also unanimously ratified by the senate yesterday.

President Crespo will sign it next

CUBANS' APPEAL.

President Cisneros Wites a Letter to President Mikinley.

NEW YORK, April 6 .- A World correspondent has succeeded in reaching President Cisneros of the Cuban republic in the mountain fastnesses near Cubitas. He was surrounded by members of his cabinet, and conducting the affairs of the Cuban republic with peaceful regularity. He sent his best wishes to the United States and with his own and wrote a message to McKinley.

Cisneros says in the letter, after formal greetings: "Cuba, while called by Spain her ever faithful isle, has always looked to the American republic as if she longed for the title 'ever faithful state.' I ask you in the name of God and of my people to give early consider. and of my people to give early consider-ation to what is known in the United States as the Cuban question. We have in Washington a delegated of high character, as yet unrecognized officially by your government, which is in a position to inform you of such details as you desire.

"We Cubans are essentially American in all our hopes and aspirations. Were it possible for Spain to exterminate the present population and to supplement it with her loyal subjects, I doubt her ability to control the island after a certain period. Spain is destined to lose Cuba eventually, for her present struggle is hopeless.

Cisneros then tells the well known facts as to what Cuba has already accomplished, how Spain has been worst-ed and how the Cuban armies control, and the Cuban civil government is in authority over the greater part of the island: how schools have been established, and the like.

He concludes: "The struggle may go on for years, and Cuba may continue to light against fourful odds, along that continues to the struggle of the struggle may go on for years, and cuba may continue to light against fourful odds, along that continues to the struggle of the struggle may go on for years, and cuba may continue to light against fourful odds.

fight against fearful odds alone, but so long as God gives us courage we will cling to the banner of right and freedom until the victory is won.'

ELECTION IN MICHIGAN.

Charles D. Long Re-Elected Justice of the Supreme Court.

DETROIT, April 6 .- Returns from the state indicate the re-election of Judge Charles D. Long, Republican, as justice of the supreme court, and the defeat of George L. Yople, fusion candidate; Charles D. Lawton and William J. Cocker, Republican candidates for regents of the University of Michigan, are also elected.

cities more strongly than in the November election. This appears to have been especially true in the southern tier of counties. In a few cases on the votes for city offices Republican majorities of last fall were turned into fusion victories. As usual the results as to local of-

ficers is considerably split up politically. In this city William C. Maybury, Democrat, was elected mayor by about 1,000 majority over Captain Albert E. Stewart, Republican. In view of Mr. Maybury's victory it is considered surprising that Judge John Miner, Democratic candidate for police justice, was defeated by Judge Albert F. Sellers, Republican, who was re-elected by a majority fully equal to that received by Maybury. Maybury's election is looked upon as a decided defeat for Governor Pingree, who practically named Captain Stewart as his successor as mayor after the courts had overruled the governor's contention that he could hold both the offices of governor and mayor.

ADMIRALS UNDECIDED.

No One Seems to Be Willing to Lead in

the Proposed Blockade. CANEA, April 6 .- The admirals held a conference yesterday and arrived at a unanimous agreement as to most of the details of the method of carrying out the blockade of certain Greek ports. rality. Admiral Canevaro, however, has been instructed by the Italian government that he must not agree to act as the senior officer of the international fleet in this undertaking.

These instructions have raised the important question of who is to occupy the post. The reluctance of the Italian government, already much too prominently associated with coercion, is due to the Italian sympathy with Greece and to the financial strain already involved.

The admirals have addressed a vigorous letter to the governor of the island, calling for a categorical explanation of the arming of the Bashi Bazouks, and demanding the surrender of 12 of the leaders of the Akrotiri affair.

Two Shots at an Enemy.

WABASH, Ind., April 6.—Patterson McKinney, recently an applicant for the postoffice at Converse, has been placed under \$1,000 bonds, charged with shooting with intent to kill. McKinney was recently arrested on a complaint for misdemeanor, preferred by Clark Macy of Converse and the case before justices in two or three neighboring towns. A few days ago McKinney met Macy, taking him to task, and winding up by using his revolver, firing two shots as Macy took to his heels.

Attempted Murder.

TELL CITY, Ind., April 6.-Phillip Heck, a prominent citizen of Cannelton, was shot twice by an unknown person, the bullets piercing his stomach. Altogether four shots were fired. Mr. Heck is in a critical condition.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

Result of the Contests in the Different Cities.

CINCINNATI GOES DEMOCRATIC.

The Entire Fusion Ticket Elected by Pluralities Ranging From 309 to 7,320. The Democrats Carry McKinley's Home, Likewise the Home of Governor Bushnell-Result in Other Cities.

CINCINNATI, April 6.—The election in Cincinnati yesterday was for mayor and other city officers and members of the board of legislation. The Republican ticket was headed by Levi C. Goodale for mayor and the Democratic ticket by Gustav Tafel, the latter being elected by a plurality of 7,320, while the city gave McKinley a plurality of almost 20,000 last November, and Caldwell, Republican, for mayor three years ago, a plurality of 6,755. The Democratic ticket had three Republicans on it, for city auditor, treasurer and corporation counsel, but under the recently enacted Dana law it could not

be called a fusion or independent ticket. The ticket headed by Gustav Tafel was victorious throughout, the lowest plu-rality being for one of the Republicans, E. O. Eshelby for city treasurer, who received only 309 plurality and against whom a fight was made on account of the construction of new water works and for other local reasons. There was a total vote of over 65,000 as compared with 78,000 last November, being an unusually large vote for a local or spring

election. The issue here was on George B. Cox who has been recognized as a boss in city and county politics for years and a controlling factor in state politics. The ticket headed by Goodale was named by Cox and the issue was made against it as a Cox ticket. The Democratic gains were made in the Republican wards.

Republicans Carry Cleveland.

CLEVELAND, April 6 .- The returns of the municipal election so far received indicate that Mayor McKisson, Republican, has been re-elected by a majority of from 1,000 to 1,500 over John H. Farley, Democrat. This is a Democratic gain of about 2,000 over the vote of last fall, when the city gave a Republican majority of about 3,700. All the other candidates on the ticket are elected by larger majorities. The Republicans elect all four candidates for the school council and 9 out of 11 members of the

Canton Went Democratic.

CANTON, O., April 6.-As usual when McKinley is not on the ticket, Canton The vote was light and the free silver | yesterday | went | Democratic, | Mayor entiment was shown in several of the Rice, for re-eletion, carrying it by between 400 and 500 majority. mainder of the ticket was divided, the Democrats winning the majority of the offices. The Republicans elected the city marshal, street commissioners and the market master. The vote was lighter than last fall, but nearly up to the average spring vote.

Republicans Win in Toledo.

Toledo, April 6 .- Samuel M. Jones, as mayor, and the entire city Republican ticket was elected in this city by majorities ranging from 700 to 2,000. Toledo has been a "wide open" town and Jones is supposed to represent the restrictive element.

Irenton Republican. IRONTON, O., April 6 .- Enoch F. Tyler, Republican, was elected by a plurality of 65 over Albert M. Collett, Democrat. The Republican city ticket was elected by greatly decreased majorities. The normal Republican majority is 700.

Result in Columbus,

Columbus, O., April 6 .- For mayor. Samuel L. Black, Democrat, was elected over Emmett Tompkins, Republican, by 427 plurality. Total vote 24,607, about 6,000 less than registration. Last fall the city gave McKinley 3,100 plu-

One Spirited Contest.

Youngstown, O., April 6.-The principal contest was for water works trustee, Henry Smith, Democrat, defeating Walter A. Beecher, Republican. The Republicans retain control of council and board of education.

Newark Divided.

NEWARK, O., April 6 .- The Democrats elect marshal and solicitor, Republicans street commissioner, cemetery trustee and justice. Democrats carry six of eight councilmen by majorities from 4 to 180.

Democrats Carry Bushnell's Home,

SPRINGFIELD, O., April 6 .- The Democrats carried the home of Governor Bushnell, electing John M. Good mayor by about 600 majority. The rest of the Republican ticket was elected.

Split Ticket at Akron.

AKRON, O., April 6.—The contest for mayor indicates the election of Young, Democrat. McKinley carried the city by 174. The rest of the Republican ticket is elected by 300.

Hamilton Democratic. Hamilton, O., April 6.—Bosch, Dem-

by a majority of over 1,000. The entire Democratic city ticket was elected. In Portsmouth.

ocrat, was elected mayor here yesterday

PORTSMOUTH, O., April 6.-The Democrats elected Charles C. Glidden mayor over Mayor Volney Row by 800, a Democratic gain.